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From: Wayne Hedberg
To: LBRAXTON, MINERALS
Date: Thursday, January 26, 1995 2:50 pm
Subject: ACMC CLIFTON PROPOSALS

F.Y.I. - I RECEIVED A CALL FROM BILL MOELLER (AMERICAN CONSOLIDATED) THIS WEEK REGARDING THEIR PLANS FOR THE CLIFTON MINE AND GOLD HILL MILLSITE. APPARENTLY HIS CONSULTING ENGINEERING FIRM IS RECOMMENDING THAT THEY CONSTRUCT A SMALL PILOT-SCALE HEAP LEACH SITE ADJACENT TO THEIR CLIFTON SMO, INSTEAD OF REFURBISHING THE GOLD HILL MILLSITE, TO REDUCE ORE HAULAGE COSTS. THEY ARE NOW LOOKING INTO DEVELOPING A DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR SAME, THEREFORE HAVE TEMPORARILY DROPPED THE OTHER PLANS THEY HAD (I.E., DON'T EXPECT TO SEE HERAT SMO AMENDMENT OR NEW SMO FOR MILLSITE IN THE NEAR TERM). I ADVISED HIM TO CONTACT WATER QUALITY FOLKS FOR DESIGN SPECS ON THE CYANIDE HEAP LEACH PAD CONSTRUCTION. HE WILL KEEP US ADVISED WHEN THEY SCHEDULE A PRE-DESIGN CONFERENCE WITH DEQ ON SAME.

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